

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,  
ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY, JUNE 17, 2013 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hutchinson, assisted by Honorary Mayor for the Day Jessica Proctor, called the City Council of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:00 P.M. Upon Roll Call, the following members were:

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|-----------------|---|---------------------------------|-----------------|---|--|
| <b>Ebersohl</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present | <input type="checkbox"/> Absent | <b>Huch</b>     | <input type="checkbox"/> Present            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent |
| <b>Agne</b>     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present | <input type="checkbox"/> Absent | <b>Mathews</b>  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present | <input type="checkbox"/> Absent            |
| <b>Niemietz</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present | <input type="checkbox"/> Absent | <b>Reis</b>     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present | <input type="checkbox"/> Absent            |
| <b>Roessler</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present | <input type="checkbox"/> Absent | <b>Holtkamp</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present | <input type="checkbox"/> Absent            |

Quorum Present.

Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Miss Proctor and Scouts in attendance for the meeting.

Administrative Staff Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Clerk J. Ronald Colyer    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Administrator Al Hudzik                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Attorney Terry Bruckert   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chief of Police & Ambulance Director Joe Edwards |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building Inspector Alan Holden | <input type="checkbox"/> City Treasurer Robert Naumann                               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Engineer Ronald Williams  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director of Economic Development Paul Ellis      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assistant City Engineer Tim Ahrens        | <input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Chief of Police Jerry Paul                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Clerk Donna Mehaffey               | <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting Manager Linda Sharp                              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Head Librarian Britta Krabill  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plan Commissioner Russell Horsley                |

**II. DELEGATION / CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

A. Mayor for the Day - Jessica Proctor

Miss Proctor was presented with an Honorary Mayor for the Day certificate by Mayor Kevin Hutchinson.

B. Wes Hoeffken - Responsible Elected Officials

Wes Hoeffken appeared before the Council and noted that he was speaking as an individual citizen and not as a City Official. Hoeffken offered his views and a critique regarding responsible elected officials. During his discussion, Hoeffken praised the current Council members for taking positions on issues that were not always popular with the public or their individual constituents. He also offered critical comments regarding facets of the administration of the currently elected City Clerk and his Office.

**III. READ AND APPROVE MINUTES**

A. Regular City Council Meeting of Monday, June 3, 2013

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, June 3, 2013 were submitted for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, June 3, 2013 as amended and on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Reis                      Second: Mathews                      Vote: Roll Call

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| Ebersohl | Yea | Roessler | Abstain | Reis     | Yea |
| Agne     | Yea | Huch     | Absent  | Holtkamp | Yea |
| Niemietz | Yea | Mathews  | Yea     |          |     |

Motion Carried 6 To 0 with 1 Abstention

**IV. REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS/OFFICERS**

A. Library - Monthly Report

1. Monthly Report

The monthly Library Report was presented to the City Council by Head Librarian, Britta Krabill.

B. Police Department & Communications - Monthly Reports

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The Police Department and Communications monthly reports were presented to the City Council by Chief of Police and Ambulance Director Joe Edwards.

C. EMS Department - Monthly Report

1. Monthly Report

The monthly report of the EMS Department was presented to the City Council by Chief of Police and Ambulance Director Joe Edwards.

D. Building Department

1. Monthly Report

The monthly report of the Building Department was presented to the City Council by Building Inspector Alan Holden.

2. 11604 Bluff Road - Zoning Amendment

Mr. Holden noted that the members of the Zoning Board of Appeals voted 5-1 to approve an amendment regarding a zoning change for property located at 11604 Bluff Road.

E. Plan Commission Meeting Minutes - June 10, 2013

Plan Commissioner Russell Horsley presented the June 10, 2013 Plan Commission meeting minutes to the City Council.

F. Community & Economic Development

Mr. Paul Ellis presented the Community & Economic Development Report to the City Council.

His report included minutes of the March 13, 2013 Civic Progress Committee Meeting Minutes and information on Marketing Columbia and the ICSC Downstate Illinois Alliance Luncheon followed by a Cardinals-Cubs baseball game at Busch Stadium.

1. Special Event Request - 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Special Event Permit Application for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration to be held on Thursday, July 4, 2013 (Rain Date July 5, 2013) at the Columbia American Legion Memorial Park from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Midnight.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Holtkamp      Vote: Roll Call

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| Ebersohl | Yea | Roessler | Yea    | Reis     | Yea |
| Agne     | Yea | Huch     | Absent | Holtkamp | Yea |
| Niemietz | Yea | Mathews  | Yea    |          |     |

Motion Carried      7 To 0

2. Ordinance to Declare James Piggot's Land Claim/Schlemmer Farmstead at 11604 Bluff Road in the City of Columbia, Illinois to be a City of Columbia, Illinois Historic Site Landmark

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3044, an Ordinance to declare James Piggot's Land Claim/Schlemmer Farmstead at 11604 Bluff Road in the City of Columbia, Illinois to be a City of Columbia, Illinois Historic Site Landmark.

Moved by: Agne      Second: Niemietz      Vote: Roll Call

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| Ebersohl | Yea | Roessler | Yea    | Reis     | Yea |
| Agne     | Yea | Huch     | Absent | Holtkamp | Yea |
| Niemietz | Yea | Mathews  | Yea    |          |     |

Motion Carried      7 To 0

3. Ordinance to Add Section 2.59 (COLLECTION) to Title 2 (ADMINISTRATION & PERSONNEL) of the Municipal Code of the City of Columbia, Illinois to Provide Policy and Procedure for Collection of Prehistoric & Historic Materials within the City of Columbia, Illinois

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3045 as amended, an Ordinance to add Section 2.59 (COLLECTION) to Title 2 (ADMINISTRATION & PERSONNEL) of the Municipal Code of the City of Columbia, Illinois to Provide Policy and Procedure for Collection of Prehistoric & Historic Materials within the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Moved by: Agne      Second: Niemietz      Vote: Roll Call

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| Ebersohl | Yea | Roessler | Yea    | Reis     | Yea |
| Agne     | Yea | Huch     | Absent | Holtkamp | Yea |
| Niemietz | Yea | Mathews  | Yea    |          |     |

Motion Carried      7 To 0

G. City Engineer

1. Engineer's Report

City Engineer Ron Williams presented his report to the City Council. In addition to action items, Mr. Williams reported that Assistant City Engineer Tim Ahrens recently received a scholarship to attend the Illinois Public Service Institute being held in Effingham, Illinois.

In addition, Mr. Williams updated the Council on the City Buildings Lighting Upgrades Project on which the Public Works Department employees have been working.

2. An Ordinance Approving a Request from Peter Ingold, Julie Smugala and Kerri and Larry White for a Zoning Amendment from Chapter 17.34, S-1 Historic Building District to Chapter 17.16, R-3 One Family Dwelling District of the City of Columbia Zoning Code for Property Located at 11604 Bluff Road

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3046, an Ordinance approving a request from Peter Ingold, Julie Smugala and Kerri and Larry White for a Zoning Amendment from Chapter 17.34, S-1 Historic Building District to Chapter 17.16, R-3 One Family Dwelling District of the City of Columbia Zoning Code for property located at 11604 Bluff Road.

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| Moved by: | Agne | Second:  | Holtkamp | Vote:    | Roll Call |
| Ebersohl  | Yea  | Roessler | Yea      | Reis     | Yea       |
| Agne      | Yea  | Huch     | Absent   | Holtkamp | Yea       |
| Niemietz  | Yea  | Mathews  | Yea      |          |           |

Motion Carried 7 To 0

3. An Ordinance to Authorize a Joint Agreement between the Illinois Department of Transportation and the City of Columbia, Illinois with Regard to the Main Street Streetscape from Oak Street to Cherry Street in the City of Columbia, Illinois

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3047, an Ordinance to authorize a joint agreement between the Illinois Department of Transportation and the City of Columbia, Illinois with regard to the Main Street Streetscape from Oak Street to Cherry Street in the City of Columbia, Illinois.

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| Moved by: | Ebersohl | Second:  | Reis   | Vote:    | Roll Call |
| Ebersohl  | Yea      | Roessler | Yea    | Reis     | Yea       |
| Agne      | Yea      | Huch     | Absent | Holtkamp | Yea       |
| Niemietz  | Yea      | Mathews  | Yea    |          |           |

Motion Carried 7 To 0

4. Valmeyer Road Bridge Bid

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the bid of \$228,228.22 from Keller Construction, Inc. of Glen Carbon to conduct the work on the Valmeyer Road Bridge Replacement Project in the City of Columbia.

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| Moved by: | Ebersohl | Second: | Reis | Vote: | Roll Call |
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| Ebersohl | Yea | Roessler | Yea    | Reis     | Yea |
| Agne     | Yea | Huch     | Absent | Holtkamp | Yea |
| Niemietz | Yea | Mathews  | Yea    |          |     |

Motion Carried 7 To 0

5. Cherry Street Project

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the bid of \$468,305.50 from Hank's Excavating & Landscaping, Inc. of Belleville for the work on the Cherry Street project from South Main Street to East Liberty Street in the City of Columbia.

Moved by: Ebersohl                      Second: Reis                      Vote: Roll Call

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| Ebersohl | Yea | Roessler | Yea    | Reis     | Yea |
| Agne     | Yea | Huch     | Absent | Holtkamp | Yea |
| Niemietz | Yea | Mathews  | Yea    |          |     |

Motion Carried 7 To 0

H. City Attorney

1. No Report.

I. Finance Department

1. Vouchers to Be Paid

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to authorize the payment of vouchers received through June 13, 2013; the total amount of the vouchers to be paid is one hundred sixty-nine thousand six hundred fifty-one dollars and sixty-five cents (\$169,651.65).

Moved by: Roessler                      Second: Ebersohl                      Vote: Roll Call

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| Ebersohl | Yea | Roessler | Yea    | Reis     | Yea |
| Agne     | Yea | Huch     | Absent | Holtkamp | Yea |
| Niemietz | Yea | Mathews  | Yea    |          |     |

Motion Carried 7 To 0

J. Administration Department

1. Administrator's Report

City Administrator Al Hudzik presented his report to the City Council.

2. An Ordinance of the City of Columbia, Illinois Ascertainning the Prevailing Rate of Wages for Laborers, Workers and Mechanics Employed on Public Works of Said City

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3048, an Ordinance of the City of Columbia, Illinois Ascertainning the Prevailing Rate of Wages for Laborers, Workers and Mechanics employed on Public Works of said City.

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| Moved by: | Reis | Second:  | Holtkamp | Vote:    | Roll Call |
| Ebersohl  | Yea  | Roessler | Yea      | Reis     | Yea       |
| Agne      | Yea  | Huch     | Absent   | Holtkamp | Yea       |
| Niemietz  | Yea  | Mathews  | Yea      |          |           |

Motion Carried 7 To 0

K. Mayor

1. Monthly Report

Mayor Hutchinson presented his monthly report.

Accept Departments and Officers Reports

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to accept and approve the reports of all Departments and Officers as presented.

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| Moved by: | Ebersohl | Second:  | Reis   | Vote:    | Roll Call |
| Ebersohl  | Yea      | Roessler | Yea    | Reis     | Yea       |
| Agne      | Yea      | Huch     | Absent | Holtkamp | Yea       |
| Niemietz  | Yea      | Mathews  | Yea    |          |           |

Motion Carried 7 To 0

V. OLD BUSINESS

None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

None.

VII. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Committee of the Whole

1. Regular Session Minutes - June 10, 2013

The Regular Session Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee Meeting held Monday, June 10, 2013 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of the Committee of the Whole Committee Meeting held Monday, June 10, 2013 as on file at City Hall.

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| Moved by: | Ebersohl | Second:  | Reis    | Roll Call |     |
| Ebersohl  | Yea      | Roessler | Abstain | Reis      | Yea |
| Agne      | Yea      | Huch     | Absent  | Holtkamp  | Yea |
| Niemietz  | Yea      | Mathews  | Yea     |           |     |

Motion Carried 6 to 0 with 1 Abstention

B. Personnel

1. Regular Session Minutes - June 10, 2013

The Regular Session Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting held Monday, June 10, 2013 were tabled.

VIII. CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS - MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2013

Ordinance, Planning and Zoning - 7:00 P.M. - Vehicle Parking on Unpaved Surfaces on Private Property Discussion

Personnel - 7:10 P.M. - Building Inspector Position Update

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. None.

X. ACTION(S) RESULTING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Approval of any actions resulting from this Council Meeting's Executive Session

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, June 17, 2013 at 7:55 P.M.

Moved by: Reis                      Second: Agne                      Vote: Roll Call

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| Ebersohl | Yea | Roessler | Yea    | Reis     | Yea |
| Agne     | Yea | Huch     | Absent | Holtkamp | Yea |
| Niemietz | Yea | Mathews  | Yea    |          |     |

Motion Carried      7 To 0

  
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J. RONALD COLYER, CITY CLERK

  
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MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON